

## Zia due here today

AMMAN (Agencies) — Pakistani President Zia ul-Haq is due in Amman Thursday on a visit to Jordan, the Royal Court announced today. The announcement said Gen. Zia will hold talks with His Majesty King Hussein and senior government officials on bilateral relations and issues of mutual concern. Gen. Zia arrived in Ankara Wednesday to pay his condolences personally to Gen. Kenan Evren, Turkey's head of state, for the death of Gen. Evren's wife last week. Turkish foreign ministry said that Gen. Zia's visit was a private one and was considered "an example of great loyalty." Gen. Zia had earlier Wednesday arrived for an official visit to Syria.

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## Arab shot in W. Bank

TEL AVIV (A.P.) — Israeli soldiers shot an Arab youth in the leg Wednesday during an anti-Israeli demonstration in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, the military command said. Soldiers fired at the youth when warning shots in the air failed to disperse a group of Palestinians in the center of Nablus, a Military spokesman said. The youth, who was not identified, was taken to the hospital by his friends, the spokesman said. Other incidents were reported on the fourth day of unrest following the shooting by Israeli soldiers of two Arab youths on Saturday. One youth was shot in the leg and the other in the stomach during a demonstration against the closure of the Palestinian university of Birzeit. Israeli authorities closed the university for the second time on Feb. 16.

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## Ulus to hold talks in Baghdad

ANKARA (R) — Turkish Prime Minister Bulend Ulus will start a two-day official visit to Baghdad on March 15, his office announced Wednesday. Mr. Ulus, a retired admiral, was in the Iraqi capital last weekend as part of an Islamic mission seeking a peaceful solution to the Gulf war.

## Saleh ends Riyadh visit

SANAA (R) — North Yemen President Ali Abdullah Saleh returned home Tuesday night from talks with Saudi leaders in Riyadh which he said focused on bilateral cooperation and the situation in the Arab World. When Col. Saleh arrived in the kingdom on Tuesday, the Saudi Press Agency said his visit would last two days. There was no explanation for the apparent change in programme. The agency quoted him as saying before his departure that his talks with King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd had centred on ways to promote "the excellent bilateral relations" between the two neighbouring countries.

## Golan Heights 'under siege'

TEL AVIV (R) — Four Communist members of the Israeli Knesset (parliament) Tuesday night accused the government of imposing a state of siege on the Golan Heights which is endangering their health and livelihood. The four spoke to reporters after visiting Druze villages blockaded by the Israeli army for the past two weeks. The residents declared a strike last month to protest against the annexation of the area by Israel last December. The Communist parliamentarians said the blockade had left the villages without access to health services and prevented villagers from grazing their flocks.

## Saudis offer to return Iranian jet

RIYADH (A.P.) — Saudi Defence Minister Prince Sultan Wednesday offered to return to Iran a Phantom plane, whose mysterious pilot reportedly tried to overthrow the Iranian regime and nearly precipitated a Saudi-Iranian air battle. "It is now up to Iran to decide whether it wants the plane or not," Prince Sultan said in a statement carried by the newspaper Al Riyadh. He said the Iranian embassy in Saudi Arabia is being contacted on the affair but did not specifically say that the pilot had requested or been given asylum. In Kuwait, the newspaper Al Anba which first broke news of the Phantom incident on Monday, said that the pilot was the leader of an aborted coup in Iran and that his flight into Saudi Arabia nearly led to a major air battle between the Saudi and Iranian air forces.

## Village Leaguers 'concerned' by Jordan's decision

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) — Leaders of Israeli-backed Arab Village Leagues on the occupied West Bank Wednesday attacked a Jordanian order threatening them with treason and the death penalty unless they resigned within a month.

The organisation of Village Leagues issued a joint statement expressing "shock" and "concern" at the decision published Tuesday by Prime Minister Mudar Badran.

The mayors of the main West Bank towns have accused the Israeli occupation authorities of creating the leagues as municipal authorities to by-pass the elected leaders.

Jordan threatened those who remained in the leagues with penalties ranging from death to confiscation of property.

Several dozen members of the village leagues have been sent to Israeli army bases for training in the use of firearms, military sources said.

This followed an order by Israeli Defence Minister Ariel Sharon to arm the league members.

## Habib confers with Lebanese factions

BEIRUT (R) — U.S. special envoy Philip Habib held talks Wednesday with leaders of Lebanon's opposing factions as part of his mission to reduce tensions in the Middle East.

Mr. Habib, who arrived in Beirut from Israel on Tuesday, started his rounds Wednesday by meeting Camille Chamoun, a former president of the republic and head of the right-wing Christian alliance, the Lebanese Front.

On Tuesday the U.S. envoy conferred with three former prime ministers who represent the traditional Sunni Muslim leadership in Lebanon.

Sources close to the ex-prime ministers said Mr. Habib had discussed ways of ensuring that Lebanese presidential elections take place as planned later this year, a move which Western diplomats say is vital to the preservation of some stability in the country.

Mr. Chamoun told reporters his talks with Mr. Habib had touched on the elections, prospects for reconciliation in Lebanon and the shaky ceasefire between Israeli and Palestinian forces in southern Lebanon.

The problems of electing a president in Lebanon to succeed Elias Sarkis when his term expires in September are enormous.

The candidate must be acceptable to factions so bitterly opposed to each other that Lebanon is effectively partitioned into an enclave held by right-wing Christian forces and a wider area controlled by Syrian peacekeeping forces, Palestinian commandos and an array of Lebanese leftist and Muslim groups.

Western diplomats say the price of failure could be a dangerous constitutional vacuum, a reinforcement of partition, and renewed violence in which Syria, Israel and the Palestinians might easily become involved.

One aim of Mr. Habib's latest talks in Lebanon, Israel, Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia has been to preserve the ceasefire he helped to work out last July between Israel and the Palestinians in South Lebanon.

Government sources said Mr. Habib had a range of ideas stretching from closing a gap in a United Nations-controlled zone in South Lebanon to wider moves to ease tension in Lebanon.

## Panel meets to back Iraq

AMMAN (Petra) — A committee preparing for a conference on supporting the Iraqi people held a meeting at Amman Marriott Hotel Wednesday.

The committee, chaired by Amman Governor Yahya Al Musli decided to hold a public rally at Al Hussein Youth City on March 22 to express support for the Iraqi people.

A number of speakers representing various public sectors will address the rally.

The preparatory committee, made up of six members will hold another meeting later on to complete preparations for the public rally.

## Iraq ready for prolonged war, Saddam declares

BAGHDAD (Petra) — Iraq's war against Iran, which started in September 1980, is not expected to extend beyond one and a half to two more years, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was quoted as saying in a television interview.

He told French Television that if the war went on for more than two years from now, Iraq will draw up plans to pursue fighting with the same momentum.

The situation in Iran does not tolerate more than two additional years of fighting, the president said.

The Iraqi leader reiterated his country's readiness to end the war with Iran and restore peace to the region. Iraq has always declared its willingness to achieve unconditional peace, he added.

## Southern Europeans face modest economic growth

GENEVA (R) — Southern European countries face the prospect of only modest economic growth this year and even this could be endangered if there were no overall recovery in the West, United Nations economists said Wednesday.

Portugal, Turkey and Yugoslavia would be most vulnerable if the predicted Western recovery does not come while Greece and Spain might be able to reach planned growth rates of two to three per cent, the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) said in its annual survey.

"But even in the best case it is clear that none of these countries in 1982 will approach the growth rates prevailing before 1973 (when oil prices began to soar)."

The survey, concluded last month, said 1981 was a bad year for most southern European nations.

"Total output stagnated in Greece, growth remained very mediocre in both Portugal and Spain and decelerated in Yugoslavia. In Turkey there was a recovery but only after two years of setback," it said.

"Inflation worsened in all countries except Turkey, with annual rates ranging between 14 per cent in Spain and about 40 per cent in both Turkey and Yugoslavia."

## Arabs 'strongly desirous' of new ties with Egypt

MANAMA, Bahrain (A.P.) — Libya, South Yemen, Algeria and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) were reported Wednesday to be "strongly desirous" of restoring diplomatic relations with Egypt to help in "removing Egypt from the sphere of American influence."

"I have seen a strong desire on the part of (Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi), Algeria, South Yemen and also the PLO" for restoring ties with Cairo, said Khaled Mohieddin, head of the leftist Egyptian opposition National Democratic Alliance party, who recently undertook an Arab tour.

Mr. Mohieddin, in an interview with the Bahrain daily Al Akhbar Al Khaleej, said there was no chance of Egypt renegeing on its Camp David peace accord with Israel, which led to a nearly total Arab boycott of Egypt during the reign of the late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

But Mr. Sadat's successor Hosni Mubarak has launched a dialogue

with opposition parties, after freeing politicians jailed by Mr. Sadat, and appears bent on becoming neither a Sadat nor a Nasser, said Mr. Mohieddin, one of the original group of Free Officers who overthrew the monarchy along with the late President Gamal Abdul Nasser in 1952.

Mr. Mohieddin said Mr. Mubarak had assured him there were no U.S. military bases in Egypt but that Mr. Sadat had signed an agreement to provide the U.S. with facilities in Egyptian air and sea ports.

He said opposition and Arab policies should be aimed at encouraging Mr. Mubarak to transcend and limit the scope of agreements concluded by Mr. Sadat with both the U.S. and Israel.

Mr. Mohieddin said he favours restoration of close ties with the Soviet Union, which used to be Egypt's main source of weapons, "regardless of shortcomings or faults the Soviets may have had in this regard."

## Khuzistan Arabs to resume fight

PARIS (A.P.) — The secretary-general of the Arab Front for the Liberation of Khuzistan said Wednesday the front was resuming armed struggle to obtain autonomy for the oil-rich Arab speaking province in southwest Iran.

Mahmoud Hussein Bachari told a news conference the decision followed unsuccessful efforts by peaceful means to obtain recognition from Tehran of the national identity of the province's four million inhabitants.

Mr. Bachari denounced the regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and charged it was trying to destroy the Arab nature of Khuzistan by reducing the province to poverty and denying its citizens jobs in government and the oil industry.

## Khaddam to go to Iran

BEIRUT (A.P.) — Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam will visit Iran next Saturday. Iran's official IRNA news agency reported Wednesday. The agency said the Syrian minister, who is also deputy prime minister, will hold talks with high ranking Iranian officials on "vital issues of the region and the strengthening of existing relations between the two countries."

## Arabs 'strongly desirous' of new ties with Egypt

"The Camp David accord has brought Egypt into the sphere of American influence," Mr. Mohieddin said, quoting former Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy, who resigned when Mr. Sadat visited Israel in November 1977, as saying Mr. Sadat had "surrendered the last card in Egypt's hand."

Mr. Mohieddin said 99.5 per cent of the Egyptian people backed Mr. Sadat after his Israel visit. "But we have managed to completely reverse this percentage by explaining to the Egyptians how the visit has led to an unbalanced treaty," he added.

The Egyptians are disillusioned with capitalist economic policies introduced by Mr. Sadat, according to Mr. Mohieddin, who said these have merely led to "some people accumulating huge fortunes while the majority suffer economic pressures."

Peace with Israel has not led to

## U.S. bans import of Libyan oil

WASHINGTON (R) — President Reagan has decided to ban imports of Libyan oil and halt U.S. exports of oil and gas technology and equipment to the government of Col. Muammar Qadhafi, the State Department said Wednesday.

The department said the action was taken because of "Libyan terrorism" and "subversion" against a number of countries, particularly in the Middle East and Africa.

## Mzali: 'Arabs loathe summits'

KUWAIT (R) — Tunisian Prime Minister Mohammed Mzali has said Arabs have begun to loathe summit conferences because of their lack of success. Mr. Mzali was speaking to reporters in Kuwait on Tuesday night, at the end of a five-nation Gulf tour. At the same time, Mr. Mzali said it was better to continue holding such meetings. Mr. Mzali left Kuwait for home Wednesday. Under an agreement signed before his departure, the two countries will establish joint tourist and trade centres in Tunisia at a cost of 17 million Tunisian dinars (\$34 million).

prosperity nor to any relaxation of totalitarian regulations applied in war years, he said.

He attributed sympathy enjoyed by Muslim fundamentalist groups in Egypt to corruption and lack of real democracy, "even though these groups avoid any clear-cut policies open to debate because they have to maintain blind obedience in their structure."

Another Sadat opposition figure, journalist and one-time Nasser confidant Mohammad Hassanain Heikal, said in an interview with the Kuwait newspaper Al Siyassah that Egypt was facing "enormous strategic choices" as the April 25 deadline for Israeli troop withdrawal from Sinai approached.

"All Egyptian factions left and right, including Nasserites and the Muslim Brotherhood, agree that Mr. Mubarak should be given a chance until after April 26," Mr. Heikal said.

## Libyan leader starts Austria visit

VIENNA (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi, making his first visit to Western Europe for nearly 10 years, arrived in Austria Wednesday for mainly economic talks and possible meetings with Libyan exiles.

Col. Qadhafi, whose only previous West European trip took him to France in 1973, was met at Vienna airport by Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, with whom he was scheduled to confer later in the day.

The large Libyan delegation

included the secretaries for foreign liaison, Abdul Ati Obeidi, and for heavy industry, Omar Mustafa Montasser.

Security was extremely tight for the visitors, who arrived in two Boeing-707 airliners.

On Friday, Col. Qadhafi and his delegation will visit the big Voest industrial concern in Linz, which is negotiating to construct a \$240 million technical training centre in Libya. Voest is already building an \$800 million steel complex there.

The visit by Col. Qadhafi has

been criticised by the Austrian opposition which charged the government with breaking an international guarantee of Libya.

Dr. Kreisky has defended the visit, which appeared to take the government by surprise, saying Libya was one of Austria's biggest trading partners in Africa and that Col. Qadhafi should have a chance to discuss economic and political questions.

The Libyan embassy said Col. Qadhafi wanted to meet Libyan exiles in Europe.

## Finnish president assures Kremlin

MOSCOW (R) — Finland's new president, Mauno Koivisto, has assured the Kremlin he plans to continue to steer his country along a path of friendly relations with Moscow.

Mr. Koivisto, 58, pledged at a Kremlin reception on Tuesday night to adhere unflinchingly to the policy of his predecessor, Urho Kekkonen, who built up close ties with Moscow unequalled in the Western World.

He indicated there would be no change in Finland's neutral foreign policy and said the 1948 friendship treaty, the cornerstone of Soviet-Finnish ties, had produced truly model bilateral relations.

Mr. Koivisto, on his first visit abroad since his election last January, also pledged to develop already strong economic ties between Finland and the Soviet Union.

Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev earlier praised the mutual ties as a good example of peaceful coexistence between two countries with different social systems.

The 75-year-old Kremlin leader said Soviet-Finnish ties were an example of good, correctly established relations between a big power and a comparatively small neighbour.

He drew a comparison with the United States, which he attacked for alleged threats and interference in the affairs of states in Central America and the Caribbean.

Mr. Brezhnev said talks with Mr. Koivisto had shown good possibilities existed for developing ties between the two countries.

## Arafat ends E. Berlin talks

EAST BERLIN (R) — Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat left East Berlin Wednesday after talks with East German leader Erich Honecker during which both men condemned the strategic alliance between Israel and the United States.

The official news agency ADN said Mr. Arafat and his delegation ended their 24-hour visit with a farewell ceremony at Schoenefeld Airport attended by full military honours reserved for East Germany's most important visitors.

On Tuesday Mr. Arafat said the U.S. and Israel "particularly since the conclusion of their strategic alliance are trying with the aid of battle fleets and military strong points to force our people to subjugation and deny them the right to self-determination."

His remarks were quoted in the official Communist Party daily Neues Deutschland together with comments by Mr. Honecker who said Israel's annexation of the Syrian Golan Heights had led to greatly increased tension in the Middle East.

Mr. Honecker expressed his support for the setting up of an international conference to deal with the problems of the Middle East with the PLO's participation, which Israel has so far opposed.

East Germany does not recognise Israel and has been a long-standing supporter of the Palestinian cause. Mr. Arafat is a frequent visitor to East Berlin where the PLO has an official diplomatic mission.

## Guatemalans demonstrate against 'electoral fraud'

GUATEMALA CITY (A.P.) — Shots were fired and police tossed tear gas to scatter several hundred demonstrators protesting what they said was widespread electoral fraud in presidential balloting.

Three opposition candidates for the presidency were released Tuesday after a brief arrest. They pledged to continue their "civic" protest against Sunday's election, won by Gen. Angel Anibal Guevara, the candidate of the ruling, military-backed coalition.

But there was a relatively small turnout for the protest demonstration late Tuesday afternoon.

Gen. Guevara's opponents at a news conference Monday night charged that the government and the army had stolen the election. They appealed to the public to turn out for a rally in front of the presidential palace demanding a new election in 60 days.

The government warned that no demonstrations would be allowed, and cordoned off the area around the palace. Police cleared it, seized cameras and tape recorders from some journalists and detained several reporters. They were all later released.

The three civilian candidates released portions of a letter they wanted to deliver to outgoing President Gen. Fernando Romero Lucas Garcia. It spoke of the "jailing and murder of our parties' activists in an effort to frighten us from providing more proof of violation of the elections."

Leftists boycotted the voting, saying it was a farce and their candidates would be assassinated by right-wing death squads operating under the protection of the military-dominated government.



## NATIONAL

## Top Arab presswoman helps in Jordan filming

By Dina Matar

Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Miss Nadia Hijab, a prominent Arab woman and the only one to serve as editor-in-chief of a widely-read English-language magazine, feels that a British television documentary on Arabs "would help polish up the

Arab image in the West."

Miss Hijab, editor of the Middle East magazine, acts as journalist on the job in the filming of an hour-long documentary in Jordan. She told the Jordan Times in an interview that the documentary, one of a 10-part series on Arabs, would be "different from other films on Arabs, because it portrays the Arabs from the Arab per-

spective."

She said that by interviewing Jordanian families in their natural setting, "the documentary will heighten the Arab image in the mind of the still-prejudiced West."

Miss Hijab's career did not begin in the world of film. A native of the West Bank town of Nablus, she recalled that 13 years ago, while still a student at the American University of Beirut, she joined the Lebanese paper The Daily Star, to write stories on student affairs at the university. "Although I had to toil to get stories, it was quite a good experience," she said.

Miss Hijab's interest in journalism did not founder over the years, and she moved from one newspaper to another. "But each publication taught me some more about journalism, and got me more attached to the work," she said.

In 1975, Miss Hijab joined the press section at the Qatari information ministry, and stayed there for three years. In 1978, she



Nadia Hijab

joined the widely-acclaimed news magazine, The Middle East, and in three years' time broke records by becoming the first Arab woman in charge of the magazine, famous for its accurate coverage of events in the Middle East and read by an estimated 30,000 a month.

Working as an editor-in-chief, Miss Hijab confesses, "is not the most comfortable job in the

world." She said that she always puts in a lot of effort trying to compile information and gathering interesting news. "Since ours is a monthly publication, and we have to arouse the interest of our readers."

She pointed out that 75 per cent of the readers come from the Middle East, "and they are mainly interested in investigative, in-depth coverage rather than day-to-day routine news."

"Our target is to get people who are interested in the area to read our magazine," she said, adding that over the years, the seven-year-old magazine has been able to build up a dedicated readership.

Mainly covering and investigating political issues, the magazine faces some difficulties, Miss Hijab said. "We have to be as objective as possible because we want to maintain the magazine's credibility. But if we miss our step, we might be subjected to the risk of censorship," she said.

She added that sometimes, the magazine is accused of being anti-Arab, and sometimes of being overly anti-American. "The Zionist lobby in the West tries hard to sabotage our work, which we try to keep as objective as possible," she said. She asserted that even in the United States and in Europe, people misunderstand the press, "the same as in the Middle East."

The magazine covers a wide-ranging variety of topics, ranging from political investigative reporting to social issues in the Arab World. Miss Hijab said that the magazine tries to be selective, "but our stories are not superficially covered; we like to go deep down and get things into the open."

Now that other English-language magazines have been launched in the Middle East market, Miss Hijab says that the work has become tougher. "We have to maintain our readership, and I am happy to say that our credibility and our accurate coverage are still a source of pride to all the editors."

She said that the magazine, depending mainly on its sales and some advertising, does not get any financial support from Arab governments. The publisher, a Tunisian, supports the magazine single-handedly, she said. Economic troubles have been known to affect the production, in some years.

Miss Hijab, whose main reason for being in Jordan was the documentary filming, said that Jordanian officials "have been very helpful, and the Jordanian family set-up is quite interesting."

## Notes on £8m British loan to be signed on March 14

AMMAN (J.T.) — On Sunday, March 14 National Planning Council President Hanna Odeh and British Ambassador Alan Urwick will sign an exchange of notes agreeing to a British loan of £8 million to finance a number of future development projects in Jordan. Details of the projects have yet to be decided, but a number are already under discussion with the National Planning Council.

This new loan demonstrates Britain's continuing support for Jordan's development objectives, according to British embassy officials. In recent years British loans have been used to help finance the Aqaba water supply system, an electrification project in Irbid District, a marketing centre for the Jordan Valley Authority and workshops under construction for the Natural Resources Authority.

## 85 Tunisian bus drivers due Tuesday

AMMAN (Petra) — Eighty-five Tunisian bus drivers on contract to work for the Public Transport Corporation here will arrive in Amman on March 16, according to Director of Transport, Yaqoub Haddad. He said that another 15 drivers are scheduled to arrive in Amman on March 21.

According to Mr. Haddad, the Tunisian drivers will undergo a three-week driving course, and will be acquainted with the different parts of Amman through which they will be driving.

The ministry hired Tunisian drivers since not enough Jordanian drivers with licences to drive all types of vehicles are available to do the job, Mr. Haddad said.

The Ministry of Transport will receive five shipments of buses during this month and in April, bringing the total number of buses in the corporation's fleet to 438, Mr. Haddad added. Two hundred and fifty buses are being bought from the West German firm MAN.

## OBITUARY

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## Zarqa Islamic society gives JD 6,000 assistance to needy

ZARQA (Petra) — The Islamic Cultural Society here lately made contributions worth JD 6,000 to needy families in Zarqa District, according to society President Ibrahim Takiuddin.

He said that JD 3,500 in cash and JD 3,000 worth of in-kind assistance were distributed to these families.

According to Mr. Takiuddin, who is also director of the Zarqa Chamber of Commerce, the society

has assigned two university scholarships for distinguished needy students, and has also established a blood bank to offer blood to the sick and injured in emergency cases.

On the society's other activities, Mr. Takiuddin said that the society is currently holding one-year vocational training courses in carpentry. Trainees receive free training monthly pocket money and free meals and medical services, Mr. Takiuddin said.

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George Khouri (1913-1982)

## George Khouri dies at 69

AMMAN — George Saleh Khouri, a distinguished Palestinian journalist and former U.N. officer, died here Wednesday at the age of 69. The late Mr. Khouri, born in Nazareth in May 1913, received his education in Jerusalem. He served as director of the Arab News Agency in Jaffa until the Zionist occupation of 1948. Later he went to New York and took up a United Nations post, that required him to travel between New York, Beirut, Geneva and Baghdad. His last posts were at Geneva and Baghdad, where he served as a U.N. information representative. In 1975 he retired and came to live in Amman, until he passed away.

The late Mr. Khouri, who used to write for both Jordanian dailies — Al Ra'i and Al Dustour — is survived by his widow Zubeideh, sons Riyad and Rami and daughters Yasmine and Raghda, as well as four grandchildren.

## 2 ambassadors take the oath

AMMAN (Petra) — Two newly appointed Jordanian ambassadors were sworn in before His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday. They are Mr. Saleh Al Zarbi, ambassador to Kuwait and Dr. Walid Al Sa'di, ambassador to Turkey. Attending the swearing-in ceremony was Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem.

## JD 6 million bond issue papers signed

AMMAN (J.T.) — An agreement for a JD 6 million bond issue was signed here Wednesday at the Jordan Cement Factories Company Ltd (JCFC).

The bond issue is part of a JD 15 million package for the part financing of JCFC's sixth kiln expansion project. An agreement for a JD 9 million syndicated loan was signed here last Wednesday, Feb. 24 by JCFC and representatives of a consortium of local banks led by the Arab Bank.

The government-guaranteed bond issue is underwritten and managed by the Jordan Securities Corporation, the Arab Bank, the Arab Investment Bank and the Industrial Development Bank.

Jordan Security Corporation Director General Sa'id Hammami said the bond issue and the syndicated loan, raised locally, reflect Jordanian banks' competence in financing development projects, and the fact that local banks are cooperating in such major lending operations demonstrates their keenness to serve the national economy.

## King visits military headquarters



AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday morning paid a visit to the army headquarters here, and met with Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker. They discussed a number of issues

pertaining to the armed forces, and King Hussein gave his directives on topics discussed. King Hussein also met with army chief of staff Fathi Abu Taleb and senior aides.

## Unify labour efforts, Anani says

# Labour minister returns after addressing Baghdad conference

AMMAN (Petra) — Labour Minister Jawad Al Anani returned to Amman from Baghdad last night after participating in a part of the 10th Arab labour conference.

The conference elected Jordanian Labour Ministry Under-Secretary Tayseer Abdul Jabbar as chairman of the conference's organisational committee, and Amman Chamber of Industry

Director Ali Dajani as the conference's vice president, representing the employers group, Dr. Anani said.

In his speech to the conference and his talks with three Arab labour ministers, Dr. Anani said, he welcomed closer inter-Arab cooperation in employment and in activating cooperation among Arab Labour Organisation (ALO) members, as well as in

exchanging labour expertise.

The flow of labour from densely populated Arab states to oil-producing countries, which enhances Arab economic integration, comes as a result of market needs and without any prior coordination at government level, the minister said. He called on the ALO to help Arab member states formulate a clear and comprehensive employment policy, and to organise a conference on this subject in two years from now.

Priority in employment in Arab states should be given to the Arab labour force, the minister told the conference. He added that Jordan has started implementing such a policy, and already has 100,000 non-Jordanian workers, 80 per cent of whom are Arab.

The minister suggested that bilateral agreements should be concluded among ALO member states aimed at organising the employment of Arab workers, and he cited the recent Jordanian-Tunisian agreement as an example.

Jordan has given support to efforts aimed at naming a special day for solidarity with the Palestinian people and labourers, Dr. Anani said.

The current conference is scheduled to end on March 16.

## Stamps mark anniversary of Antiquities Department

AMMAN (Petra) — The Ministry of Communications Wednesday issued three new postage stamps in commemoration of the Department of Antiquities' 60th anniversary.

Ministry Under-Secretary Fares Al Sarayreh said that the stamps, of 25 fils, 40 fils and 50 fils denominations, have been distributed to post offices around the country.

The stamps were issued with the purpose of highlighting the great responsibility of the Antiquities Department in preserving and displaying Jordan's heritage and history, he said.

# Water experts discuss the cholera case

By Samira Kassar  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Speakers at the third session Wednesday of an interdisciplinary water seminar sponsored by the University of Jordan concluded that cholera is not endemic to Jordan, and that the cholera cases which appeared last summer where brought into the country from abroad.

The session, which was held on Wednesday morning under the title "The Cholera Case—An Accident? Irrigation and Food Production," was chaired by Health Ministry Under-Secretary Sulaiman Subeishi and was attended by some 35 water experts, biologists and environmentalists from several government departments and the University of Jordan.

Outlining the incidence of cholera in Jordan over the past 11 years, Dr. Subeishi said that only one cholera case had appeared in 1970. Five years later, 1982 cases were reported, and a further 427 cholera cases occurred in 1977. While no cases occurred in 1978, 141 cases occurred in 1979. The following year was also cholera-free, but 908 cholera cases and six deaths due to cholera occurred in July 1981, Dr. Subeishi said.

He said that the first cases had officially been detected on July 3, but there had been indications that several cases must have occurred before that date and gone undetected. No full information was available on the source of the disease, he said, but there was consensus that the disease had come from outside the country, and that cholera was not endemic to Jordan.

Dr. Elias Saliba, associate professor of biology at the University of Jordan, presented the seminar's first paper, on Man, Water and Disease. He pointed out that although the present decade is known as the international decade of drinking water and sanitation, about 75 per cent of the world's population, particularly those of the rural areas in the developing countries, lack adequate hygienic water supplies. The Jordan Valley could not have been efficiently cultivated had malaria not been eradicated, Dr. Saliba said.

Water-borne diseases such as cholera and schistosomiasis (bilharzia) plague over 300 million people, and are the major cause of death and debilitation in the developing countries, he noted.

Dr. Saliba pointed out that schistosomiasis and malaria are diseases related to water development, since the building of dams and reservoirs for irrigation purposes often enhances the breeding conditions of intermediary hosts—snails in the case of schistosomiasis and mosquitoes in the case of malaria—and leads to the appearance of disease.

Schistosomiasis is prevalent in some parts of Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Yemen and Syria, he noted.

Dr. Saliba went on to discuss the relation of this disease to water development projects in Jordan. The country's surface waters showed a great deal of seasonal fluctuations in the velocity of flow and silt content, both of which were not conducive to the growth of bilharzia intermediary snails, he said. But topographical changes in large water bodies in Jordan, such as the changes introduced by the King Talal Dam, had created a suitable habitat for the breeding of the bilharzia intermediary host, he pointed out.

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## WHAT'S GOING ON

### Exhibitions

\* Prints in tribute to former Senegalese President Leopold Senghor, at the Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts.

\* Islamic literature, films and posters, at the University of Jordan. Ends Friday.

\* Architecture en Terre Crue (Architecture in unbaked earth), at the French Cultural Centre. Ends Thursday.

\* Art by students of the National Orthodox School, at the Alia Art Gallery.

\* Engineering exhibition at the Intermediary University College, Ain Ghazal Road. Ends Thursday.

### Films

\* La Celestina, colourfilm in Spanish, at the Spanish Cultural Centre at 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

\* L'Associe, colourfilm sub-titled in Arabic, at the French Cultural Centre, at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.

\* Gigi, at the American Centre at 4 p.m. Thursday.

\* Velvet Season, at the Soviet Cultural Centre at 6 p.m. Thursday.

## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Condolences to Ghassib family

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday delegated Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid to convey his sympathy to the Ghassib family on the death of the late Bishara Ghassib, who died in Amman on Tuesday at the age of 77.

### FAO olive expert lectures at Yarmouk

IRBID (Petra) — U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) specialist Mr. Bashir Husni delivered a lecture at Yarmouk University Wednesday on ways of tending olive trees and fighting pests harmful to olives. The audience consisted of specialists in Irbid's agriculture department, and local farmers. According to Dr. Tawfiq Al Momani, acting director of agriculture here, several agricultural seminars will be held in various Irbid Governorate villages to orient farmers on modern methods of agriculture.

### Army sports delegation due in Tunis

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan's military sports federation will take part in meetings for establishing an Arab military sports union, which will open in Tunis on March 15. The Jordanian delegation, which will take part in laying down the statutes of the pan-Arab federation, will be led by Col. Majed Mansour, the federation's secretary.

### Ajlouni invited to visit Baghdad

AMMAN (J.T.) — Amman Mayor Isam Ajlouni Tuesday received an invitation to visit Baghdad for talks aimed at consolidating cooperation between the cities of Amman and Baghdad. Iraqi Ambassador to Jordan Ibrahim Shuja' Sultan handed Mr. Ajlouni the invitation, which came from the mayor of Baghdad.

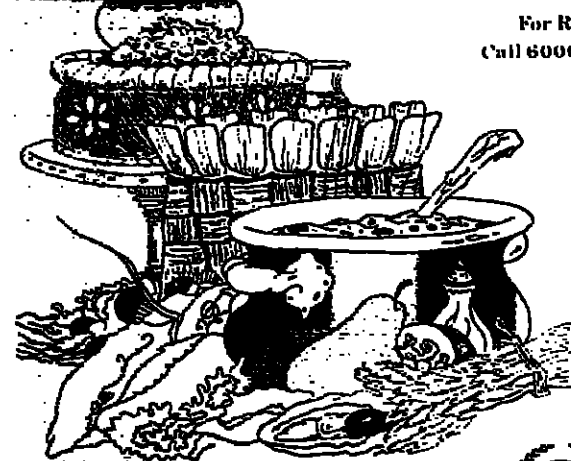
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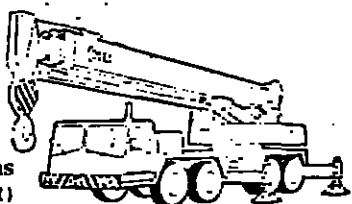
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### Memory as an asset

By Jawad Ahmad

We Arabs cherish memory, and it occupies the most prominent position among the faculties of the mind, more than observation and inquisitiveness. Little boys, at the age of seven, are taught to memorise the Holy Koran from cover to cover. Our ancient poetry was memorised and conveyed by oral tradition until writing and documenting became more prevalent.

Respect of memory, however, is not peculiar to Arabs. The pharaohs of Egypt who mastered the art of carving also worshipped memory. It is said that the first man who discovered Lotus as a writing medium was executed by the pharaoh of Egypt who believed that

writing would destroy memory.

In our current educational methods, we stress the importance of memory as the main means of learning. A student who has a better memory stands a better chance of scholastic achievement than his classmates. When we talk of current calculating machines we speak heavily of their impact on memory.

One should not underestimate memory. But to give it all the attention in the education process is harmful. It tends to replace the ability to observe and inquire which are more necessary ingredients for the empirical process.

Although memory seems to be threatened by current inventions, it still manages to survive in other forms. Computers, calculating machines, diaries, files and others are replacing the human mind's memory. These inventions, however, should in no way lead us to believe that the position of memory is slackening. Let me give examples.

Human relations are becoming vital in the process of marketing and personnel management. Those who enjoy a strong memory can synchronise a name and a face immediately, thus exercising a positive influence on their audience. Those who fall into the embarrassment of asking "exc-

use me, what did you say your name was?" do not usually get very far.

Memory is also helpful in debates and discussions, particularly during negotiation sessions. People with a photographic memory find it easier to assert a point or defend themselves in hot spots. Depending solely on prearranged notes might not prove to be adequate all the time.

Of all the people I know, there are two who stand out most. There is first Prime Minister Mr. Mudar Badran, who can remember in which file a certain paper was put and at what date. He is the kind of man who can tell you "that was ten years ago when we met at so and

so's house, there were fifteen people, a,b,c,d,e.... and you were there weren't you?"

The second is David Rockefeller, the ex-chairman of Chase Manhattan. This man travelled extensively to look after the bank's interests. He would meet you at a reception and say "how are you? Still working with such & such bank?"

In short, memory is the target of modern technological achievements. However, and no matter what we invent to boost our memories, the human part of it will to serve forever. Those who have good memories will continue to occupy important positions.

## Questions over Jerusalem

By Arthur Max  
The Associated Press

TEL AVIV — The late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat launched his peace initiative in 1977 by visiting Jerusalem; but in three subsequent trips to Israel he never set foot in the city. United States officials visit only warily, if at all.

That attitude, even among Israel's closest allies, underscores what Israelis call as frustration at the refusal by the international community to accept its annexation of the city.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin is now embroiled in a war of wills with Mr. Sadat's successor, President Hosni Mubarak, who refuses to visit the occupied city. Mr. Begin says he would rather call off Mr. Mubarak's planned trip to Israel if Mr. Mubarak refuses to visit Jerusalem, and says he won't go to Egypt until Mr. Mubarak comes here.

Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger never saw the holy sites of Jerusalem until after he left office. "I've been to Israel 50 times and I could never come here before," he said as he strolled through the old city.

His successor, Cyrus Vance, once drove to the Mount of Olives while he was in office, but he made sure the American flag was first removed from his limousine and that no reporters saw him.

The U.S. government has ruled that official visits to the Arab sector might be seen as recognition of the Israeli annexation after the 1967 Mideast war.

The Americans and Mr. Mubarak are more cautious than other countries about the conflict over Jerusalem's status. French President Francois Mitterrand began a state visit to Israel's self-declared capital Wednesday, ignoring the 35-year-old dispute.

The conflict began when the United Nations carved Palestine into projected Arab and Jewish states in 1947, reserving the Holy City as an international enclave.

After the first Arab-Israeli war in 1948, the city was split between Israel and Jordan. For 19 years a swath of concrete walls, barbed wire and sniper posts demarcated the boundary.

Since then, the city's status has been determined by a series of unilateral decrees by the Israeli government — usually in defiance of international rulings — that were ignored by the rest of the world.

In December 1949 the U.N. General Assembly reaffirmed the city's international status. Outraged, then Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion moved his office from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem three days later and declared the city's Jewish sector Israel's capital.

That year Israel occupied the Jordanian sector, putting the holy shrines of the old city under Israeli rule.

Within a month of the occupation, the government issued a proclamation extending Israeli law, jurisdiction and sovereignty to the Arab sector in a move tantamount to annexation. No one else recognised the annexation.

It wasn't until July 1980 that Jerusalem became the capital in Israeli statute, again in defiance of the United Nations, which resolved that Israel should relinquish East Jerusalem and all other occupied territory.

## Difficult to conceive

THE PAST few days have witnessed a remarkable show: the forcible eviction of Jewish squatters in the Sinai by their compatriots of the Israeli army. Like the Egyptian government, Israel's partner in the Camp David minuet, and the United States—the dancing master—we too are happy to see the land cleared; but certainly for different reasons. Our gladness is simply at the fact that at least some Arab land has been retrieved; but this does not allay our apprehension at the price that is paid for the return.

Egypt and the onlooking countries of the West, on the other hand, profess to be delighted at how "faithfully" Israel is meeting its commitments under the Camp David process. True, the Israeli-Egyptian documents specify a certain timetable for withdrawal from the occupied peninsula, and Israel is sticking to that. Thus Mr. Begin can hold up to the world his dutiful adherence to the dictates of the treaty, as "proof," that Egypt has nothing to complain about. After all, he has given up so much valuable territory—never a word as to the fact that Israel had not the slightest right to that land in the first place.

How much has Mr. Begin really given up, after all? In return for withdrawing from a few square kilometres of desert land, he has obtained the removal from the confrontation lines of his most formidable Arab opponent—and, most deliciously for him, the right to proceed as he likes with the total absorption of the most unfortunate Arab land—Palestine—into the mythical Land of Israel. As the merciless repression of the Palestinian people, and the continuous settlement drive, continue, every day makes it more difficult to conceive of Israel's disgorging the occupied Palestinian land; despite the theatrical Sinai show we have just witnessed.

## ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

### A rejection of Village Leagues

AL RA'I: The military governor's defence order, issued on Tuesday, stems from Jordan's national and pan-Arab responsibilities and expresses the will of our people and our Arab Nation. The order has been issued to give a last chance to the people who got involved in, joined or supported the so-called Israeli-sponsored Village Leagues in the occupied West Bank to return to the national Palestinian fold and hasten to renounce what they got implicated in within the month-long period fixed by the defence order.

Our steadfast kinfolk in the West Bank have shown a great deal of awareness and true nationalist deeds by rejecting these Village Leagues. They have submitted neither to temptation nor to intimidation to join these leagues. They remained steadfast in face of all Israeli schemes put forward to force them into joining the armed hirelings of the leagues who were deceived into joining.

The defence order has been issued as an address to these deceived people, to tell them the truth and to alert them to the fact that these suspect Village Leagues are part of the expanded political, economic, cultural and administrative programmes concocted by the Israeli occupation authorities to annex the West Bank to the Israeli entity. Now although those people who got involved in these leagues have no excuses for their actions, they must cleanse themselves from the crime they have committed. Only suspect individuals who renege and turn their backs on their people and their nation will remain in these leagues. These people will never escape their just legal punishment.

Jordan believes that this defence order is a necessity decreed by its commitment to the issue and its duty to confront the Israeli programme of sabotage waged against the Palestinian lands and the Palestinian people.

### Death penalty for collaborators

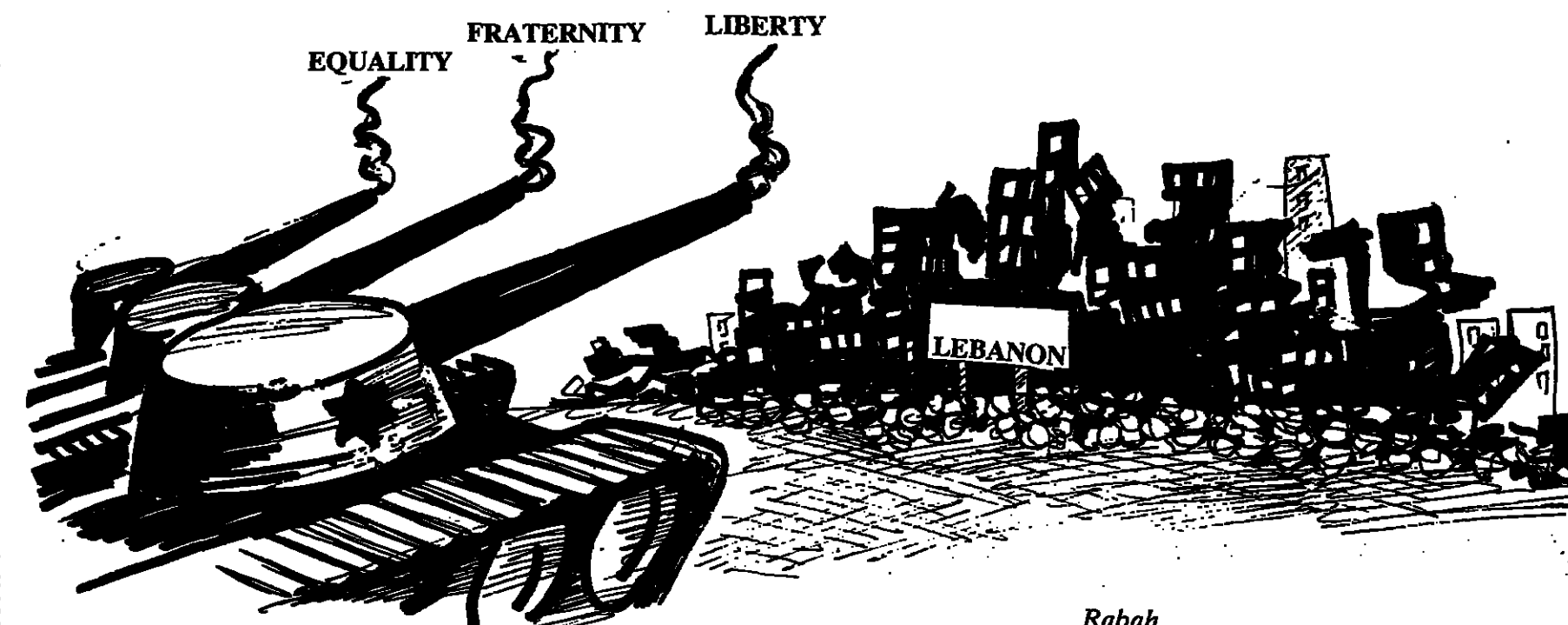
AL DUSTOUR: Stemming from Jordan's commitment to defend Palestinian rights and the rights of the Palestinian people and to support their heroic steadfastness against the Israeli occupation, the military governor has issued a defence order to expose the grave political dimensions of the Village Leagues conspiracy. The Israeli enemy is trying to undermine the unity of our steadfast people in the West Bank and Gaza Strip in order to peddle the last chapter of its conspiracy to swallow the occupied Arab territories by imposing autonomy and securing complete occupation of all the Palestinian territories.

It seems that a handful of our people in the occupied territories have been deceived into joining the so-called Village Leagues without realising their goals and the danger they pose to their lands and their future. These people are urged not only to leave but also to resist and confront these suspect leagues before it is too late.

The military governor has given the people involved in these leagues a period of one month to wash their hands from them and to shun this dangerous conspiracy. The people who will remain as enemy agents will be executed as traitors.

The Israeli enemy has exposed itself and openly declared that the Palestinian territories are Israeli lands and that Arab citizens are aliens to these lands. Therefore, these Village Leagues will first annex the Palestinian villages by confiscating the land for building Israeli settlement because the enemy wants the lands and

the people. The military governor has provided the handfull of deceived people with a chance to get out of these Village Leagues. These who sell themselves to the enemy will be severely punished and having been forewarned they have no further excuses.



## Numeiri's great feat crumbling

Rick Wells describes the dilemma facing President Jaafar Numeiri over how to deal with separatist tensions in the southern region of Sudan.

KHARTOUM: The finest achievement of President Jaafar Numeiri of Sudan is always said to have been the settlement in 1972 of the 17-year civil war between the mainly Muslim north and the non-Muslim south. But now, the stability of the southern region is threatened by fierce antagonism over whether to divide it.

The south is a vast area of forest, savannah and swamp around the Upper Nile, which in itself is larger than many African states. It has agricultural potential, but its development is crippled by its remoteness from the outside world and bad communications.

Nevertheless it cannot be ignored. Just inside its border with the north lies much of the oil recently discovered in Sudan, on which the country's long-term economic future is based. Renewed conflict in the south could be exploited by Sudan's neighbours, such as Libya and Ethiopia.

The south is now split into two potentially hostile camps. Tribalism, as ever, is the root cause of the problem.

The leader of the cause of division is Mr. Joseph Lagu, former president of the semi-autonomous High Executive Council of the Southern Region, who feels strongly that a conspiracy of Dinkas, the largest and most powerful tribal grouping in the present region, was responsible for his fall from power in 1980.

To break Dinka domination, particularly of the police and administration Mr. Lagu wants the creation of a separate region out of the two southernmost provinces of Eastern and Western Equatoria. Mr. Numeiri, who is committed to decentralisation in the north, feels the same thing should happen in the south.

The debate over the issue became so heated last year that Mr. Numeiri banned it from public discussion. The regional government, headed by Mr. Abel Alier, a Dinka and an old adversary of Mr. Lagu, struggled to

maintain credibility against a background of political quarrels and disasters, many of which had an underlying tribal cause.

Violence — provoked by food shortages and drought — broke out between some of the 40,000 Ugandan immigrants now in the south and indigenous tribes, including the Dinka. Non-payment of salaries to government employees throughout the region for up to six months caused strikes and an outcry against nepotism and corruption in the administration.

The choice of the town of Kosti in the north, instead of Bentiu near the oilfields in the south, as the site for Sudan's new oil refinery caused violent incidents. The southerners felt that they had been cheated.

To northern politicians, these were further reasons why the troublesome southern region — which also appeared to them to be resisting the Islamisation they described — should be divided. This would make it more gov-

ernable. It was also thought in Khartoum that Mr. Alier's administration was biased against dividing the south.

Finally, in October, Mr. Numeiri dissolved the regional assembly and set up a six-month transitional government, headed by Major General Rassas, commander of the military staff college in Khartoum, who was previously unheard of in southern politics. The body was to preside over new elections and a referendum on the issue of division.

Opponents of the proposed division such as Mr. Boni Mafwal, a former national Minister of Information, claim the methods being used to achieve it are unconstitutional. "What in fact is being done," he alleges, "is to weaken the south by removing the hard-won political, economic and security guarantees and subjecting the south to laws that now govern the northern regions."

The arrest of 21 prominent southern politicians during the elections in December, following the despatch of a declaration to Mr. Numeiri which stated their aim of campaigning for the continued unity of the southern region, intensi-

fied suspicions of the president's intentions.

The politicians were accused of forming an illegal political party and attempting to procure funds from Libya. Twelve of them were released in early January with no charges, but five, including Mr. Clement Mboro and Mr. Joseph Oduho, await trial in Khartoum's Kober Prison.

But in spite of accusations that the 15-man administration of Mr. Rassas is biased in favour of decentralisation, a degree of stability has been maintained throughout the elections for the national assembly.

When the National Assembly meets shortly, it should vote on the proposed amendment of the Addis Ababa Agreement of 1972, which guarantees the unity of the present southern region. A three-quarter majority in favour of amendment, ratified by a two-thirds majority in a plebiscite in the south is required before such a change may take place.

However, it is also a principle of the constitution that decentralisation should be given to any region which asks for it. Ultimately, if Mr. Numeiri feels that Equatorians have a strong enough case for separation, he can grant it.

Judging by the lack of achievement by previous governments of the south, the problems of governing the whole region from Juba are enormous.

Undoubtedly, the self-interest of personalities, parties and tribes is largely responsible for lack of development.

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# Mubarak: Prosperity not in sight

CAIRO (R) — President Hosni Mubarak has painted a gloomy picture of Egypt's financial future and said Egyptians would have to work harder to put the country's crippled economy in order.

"We have a serious economic problem and I can tell you prosperity is not within easy reach," Cairo newspapers Wednesday quoted Mr. Mubarak as saying.

Speaking to a group of Egyptian members of parliament Tuesday Mr. Mubarak said: "Our population is increasing at an alarming rate, the continuation of which will lead to an economic disaster."

Egypt's population, now 44 million, is rising by 1.3 million annually, according to the latest statistics.

The president said that the handover of the Sinai Peninsula by Israel to Egypt next month would not bring automatic financial returns.

"The completion of the Israeli withdrawal does not mean we will find gold in Sinai the next day," Mr. Mubarak said.



Hosni Mubarak

"The withdrawal means more work and more sweat to solve our crippling economic problems."

Mr. Mubarak also said, contrary to a previous statement by a former top economic minister, that Egypt had a big budget deficit.

Mr. Mubarak did not give a figure but foreign economic analysts put the deficit at \$3 billion during the current financial year, compared with \$1.2 billion in 1980/81.

Prime Minister Fuad Moeen told parliament Tuesday that revenues from tourism, the Suez Canal, petroleum and rem-

ittances from Egyptians working abroad had dropped.

Dr. Moheiddin also did not give any figures, but Egyptian officials say tourist visits dropped by 25 per cent in the period after the as-

assination of Anwar Sadat last October.

Egypt's oil prices have dropped by eight dollars a barrel over the past year to reach \$32 a barrel this month.

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# British bank expected to cut interest rates

LONDON (R) — Britain's big banks were widely expected Wednesday to cut interest rates in response to a budget which the Conservative government hopes will revive both the economy and its own re-election prospects.

The banks kept the government waiting for their verdict on the £115 billion (\$208-billion) budget, announced by Chancellor of the Exchequer (finance minister) Sir Geoffrey Howe in Parliament Tuesday.

A cut in the bank's base lending

rate, now down to 13.5 per cent from 16 per cent last October, would boost industry which has been complaining about the high cost of borrowing.

It would also set the scene for a cut in higher mortgage interest rates for homeowners.

The chairman of the Building Societies Association, Alan Cumming, said after the budget speech that a cut was certain when the mortgage lenders meet on Friday.

The building societies want to

cut the present 15 per cent mortgage rate by at least one per cent and some would like to see it reduced to 13.5 per cent.

The major commercial banks said they were waiting to see both domestic and international reaction to the budget before lowering base rates.

On the foreign exchange market, sterling recovered from a fall below \$1.80 during the chancellor's speech and was basically steady against major currencies, dealers said.

They said trading in sterling was nervous as the market awaited the anticipated cuts in interest rates.

A cut of 0.5 per cent had already been discounted by the market but anything more could depress the British currency, the dealers said.

The chancellor described his budget, the fourth since the conservatives came to power in May, 1979, as one that would strengthen the foundations of economic recovery.

## LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — Government bonds were firm Wednesday in the wake of the U.K. budget but equities turned mixed after initially extending Tuesday's after hours gains, dealers said. At 1500 the F.T. index was up just 0.2 at 561.0.

The turnaround in equities was attributed by dealers to disappointment that there was no reduction in clearing bank base lending rates Wednesday as many operators had expected.

Government bonds were firm throughout, however, with selected longer dates around two points higher and the Treasury 2½ per cent index linked 2011 ending just under £10 higher at £45½ with the restriction on holders now lifted.

Banks were sold from the outset after the Chancellor of the Exchequer hinted at another levy on bank profits. Barclays and Lloyds were off 2½p and 20p respectively, Midland fell 1½p and Natwest 1½p. Oil companies, with their overall tax situation little changed by the budget, also resumed the downward trend.

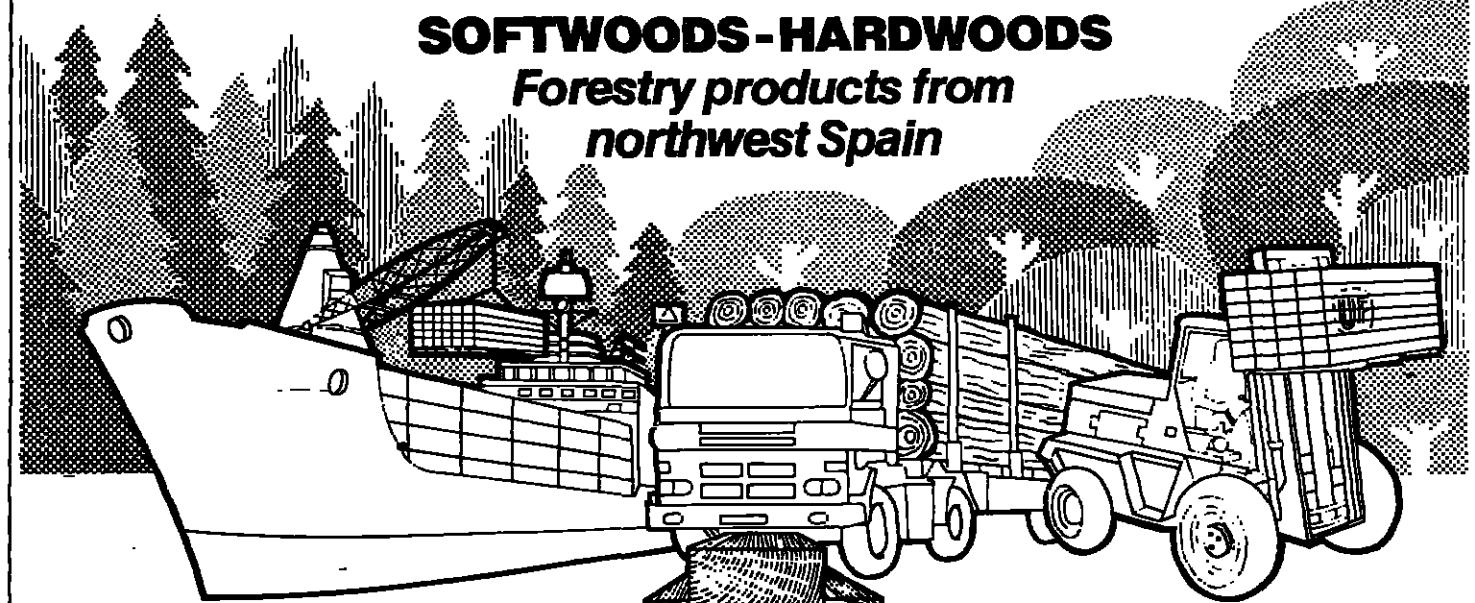
Breweries ended narrowly mixed with the trend but lower tobacco shares had a 10p at 430. Builders were firm on lower mortgage hopes and gold shares were quietly firmer.

Woolworth ended 2½p down at 53 after disappointing results. Tube Investments and British Aluminium, 58 per cent owned by Tubes, were unchanged on balance after reporting 1981 losses.

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4:45	Cartoons
5:10	Children's Programme
6:55	Programme Preview
7:00	Local Competition Programme
8:00	News in Arabic
8:30	Arabic Series
9:30	Documentary
10:10	Arabic Play
11:00	News Summary

### CHANNEL 6

6:00	French Programme
7:00	News in French
7:30	News in Hebrew
8:30	Feet First
9:10	Rockford Files
10:00	News in English
10:15	Movie of the Week: "Advice to the Lovelorn"

### FOR FRIDAY

### CHANNEL 3

10:00	Koran
10:20	Children's programme
11:00	Religious programme
12:50	Forest Rangers
13:45	Barriers
14:15	Soccer
15:00	Play Guitar
16:35	CHIPS
17:30	Science and Life
18:00	Western Theatre
18:30	Feature Film
19:30	Religious Programme
20:00	News in Arabic
20:30	Arabic Series
21:30	Local Variety Programme
22:00	Arabic series
23:00	News in Arabic

### CHANNEL 6

6:00	French Programme
7:00	News in French
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8:30	Mary Tyler Moore Show
9:10	I remember Nelson
10:00	News in English
10:15	Flamenco Road

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7:00	Sign on
7:01	Morning Show
7:30	News Bulletin
7:40	Morning Show
10:00	News Summary
10:03	Pop Session
11:00	Signing off
12:00	News Headlines
12:03	Pop Session
13:00	News Summary
13:03	Pop Session
14:00	News
14:10	Instrumentals
14:30	Now Music
15:00	Concert Hour

16:00	News Summary
16:03	Instrumentals
16:30	Old Favourites
17:00	Special Feature
17:30	Pop Session
18:00	News Summary
18:03	French way of Life
18:30	World of Arabian Music
19:00	News Desk
19:30	Music
20:30	Evening Show
21:00	News Summary
21:03	Evening Show
22:00	Close down

### FOR FRIDAY

7:00	Sign on
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17:00	Pop Session
18:00	News Summary
18:30	News Desk
19:30	Country Music
20:30	Over a Cup of Tea
22:00	Close down

## BBC WORLD SERVICE FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

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GMT 04:00	Newsdesk
04:30	Classical Record Review
04:45	Financial News
04:55	Reflections 05:00
World News:	24 Hours News Summary
05:20	Twentieth Century Folk
05:45	The World Today
06:00	Newsdesk 06:30
06:30	Nature Notebook
06:40	The Farming World
07:00	World News: 24 Hours
07:30	News Summary
07:45	Marching and Walking
07:55	Network U.K.
08:00	World News: Reflections
08:15	Opera Gallery
08:30	John Peel
09:00	World News: British Press Review
09:15	The World Today
09:30	Financial News
09:40	Look Ahead
09:45	Rock Salad
10:15	The Withered Arm
10:30	My World
11:00	World News: News about Britain
11:15	A Pattern of Faith
11:30	Assignment
12:00	Sports Round-up
13:00	World News: 24 Hours
13:03	News Summary
13:30	Network U.K.
13:45	The Pleasure's Yours
14:30	Discovery 15:00
15:00	Radio Newsreel
15:15	Outlook
16:00	World News: Commentary
16:15	Assignment
16:45	The World Today
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Report on Religion	20:00
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22:25 Book Choice	22:30
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Merchant Navy Programme	23:30
Meridian	

## SELECTED CHANGES FOR FRIDAY

05:30	The King of Instruments
07:30	Backtracking
8:30	Smash of the Day: The Navy Lark
11:15	In the Meantime
12:15	Jazz for the Asking
13:30	The Ages of Man
18:30	Musical Memories
20:30	The Reith Lectures
23:30	O. Henry

## VOICE OF AMERICA FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

GMT 03:00	Daybreak
04:00	The Breakfast Show
15:00	News Roundup: Reports, opinions, analyses
15:30	VOA Magazine Show: Americana, science, culture, letters
16:00	Special English News
16:10	Special English Science & Technology Report
16:15	Feature: The Making of a Nation (Friday: The Living Earth)
16:30	Now Music USA (Friday: Country Music USA)
17:00	News Roundup
17:30	Dailine
18:00	Special English News
18:10	Science and Technology Report
18:15	Feature: 18:30 Music USA
19:00	News Roundup
19:30	VOA Magazine Show
20:00	Special English News
20:15	Science and Technology Report
20:30	Music USA: Jazz
21:00	VOA World Report

## AMMAN AIRPORT

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### FOR THURSDAY

#### ARRIVALS:

8:00	Cairo (EA)
8:45	Cairo
8:55	Aqaba
9:00	Damascus
9:30	Jeddah
9:40	Dhahran
9:45	Kuwait (EA)
9:45	Cairo

9:50	Ras Al Khaimah, Dubai
10:00	Doha, Bahrain
10:00	Beirut (LH)
10:25	Kuwait (AF)
11:05	Riyadh (SV)
11:30	Kuwait (KAC)
16:30	Cairo
16:55	Aqaba
17:00	Athens
17:25	London (BA)
17:30	London
17:45	New York, Vienna
18:00	Cairo
18:15	Amsterdam, Beirut (KLM)
19:30	Rome
20:30	Frankfurt (LH)
20:30	Beirut (MEA)
21:55	Beirut
01:00	Baghdad
02:45	Baghdad

#### DEPARTURES

3:15	Budapest
3:30	Cairo
6:15	Frankfurt (LH)
6:30	Damascus
6:45	Beirut
9:00	Aqaba
9:00	Cairo (EA)
9:25	Beirut (MEA)
10:30	Rome
11:00	Amsterdam, New York
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11:25	Madrid, Casablanca
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22:45	Baghdad

### FOR FRIDAY

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20:30	Dubai, Karachi
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## SPORTS

## Libya defeats Tunisia amid violence

TRIPOLI (R) — Tempers frayed on and off the field Tuesday night when Libya defeated Tunisia 2-0 in a preliminary Group Two match in the African Nations Soccer Cup finals.

Policemen rushed on to the pitch after the match to stop scuffles among the players who were then herded into their dressing rooms.

Ambulances were seen rushing to the stadium where some of the 45,000 frenzied spectators were injured.

Earlier in the evening, 20,000 spectators watched World Cup finalists Cameroon and Ghana

fight out a goalless draw in their Group One match.

Cameroon's Yugoslav coach Zitic Branko admitted their performance had been poor. "I am still dissatisfied but our failure must have something to do with the artificial turf which the boys are not used to," he said.

He added "but there is still a chance for a semi-final place and we shall keep trying."

The Ghanaians created many openings for goal but often found goalkeeper Thomas Knono the big stumbling block.

Their team manager Charles Gwamfi was furious. "We did eve-

rything but score and this is our main problem. Good finishing will be my emphasis for the last preliminary round," he said at the end of the game.

Persistently booed by spectators, Tunisia's attempts to regain their rhythm failed miserably.

Second half substitute Faraj Elbarossi netted the second goal a minute from the end as a frustrated Tunisia appeared to have given up all hope of scoring.

## IOC director does not expect African boycott of '84 Olympics

NEW DELHI (R) — Monique Berlioux, director of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), said Wednesday she did not expect African countries to boycott the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics because of some nation's sporting links with South Africa.

Asked about a possible boycott she replied "I do not expect it. After all the IOC was the first organisation to withdraw recognition of South Africa, long before any other organisation," she said.

In 1976, more than 20 African countries boycotted the games in Montreal in protest at New Zealand's sporting connections with South Africa.

"We cannot foresee what is coming, but we must be ready to face facts and try to find solutions, not for our sakes, but for the athletes, because they want to compete," she told a news conference.

Madame Berlioux, who is arranging for a full IOC meeting in Delhi in March 1983, said she was impressed by India's preparation for the Asian Games in November and thought India stood a good chance of staging an Olympics in the next decade.

## Lendl defeats Curren

MUNICH (A.P.) — Top-seeded Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia clearly beat South African Kevin Curren 6-3, 6-2 late Tuesday in the \$300,000 WCT international tennis tournament.

Italy's Corrado Barazzutti had earlier dismissed Sandy Mayer of the United States, number four seed in Munich's Rudi Sedlmayer Hall, with 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.

## China condemns ISF officials' efforts to create 'two Chinas'

PEKING (R) — China accused U.S. officials of the International Softball Federation (ISF) Wednesday of interfering in internal Chinese affairs by saying Taiwan could fly its national flag at championships planned for Taipei this summer.

The Communist Party newspaper People's Daily and the official sports daily published separate commentaries attacking the U.S. officials. They said their remarks violated the terms under which China joined the ISF in May 1981.

The People's Daily said that as Taiwan was part of China, China was the host country for the championships to be held in July on the nationalist-ruled island where the nationalists fled after the communist victory on the mainland in 1949.

"If the flag of the host country is raised and its national anthem sung, then it must be the flag of the People's Republic and the anthem of the People's Republic of China," it added.

The use of the mainland flag and anthem is anathema to Taiwan, which regards the communist government as illegitimate.

If a Chinese team goes to the Women's World Championships in July, it will be the first official contact between Peking and Taipei for 33 years.

"Anybody who wishes to use the so-called Taiwanese 'national flag' or 'national anthem' instead of the flag and anthem of the People's Republic of China... is openly interfering in Chinese internal affairs," the People's Daily said.

Peking has frequently accused the United States of interference in its affairs by planning to sell fighter aircraft to Taiwan.

Secret talks are going on in Peking about the planned aircraft sale which has caused a cooling of relations between the two countries.

The People's Daily said that "some Americans in the ISF are using this Women's World Softball Championships openly to create a 'two Chinas' policy."

"This goes against the tide of history, is widely unpopular and is doomed to failure," it added.

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN

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DEAR MR. GOREN

Q.—I am still not sure what to do when an auction had developed like this:

West North East South

1 ♦ Dble Rdble ?

Does a bid by South show weakness or strength? Do you bid on the following hand or pass?

♦xxxx ♠x ♦xxx ♠xxxx

This actually occurred recently, and there was considerable discussion as to the correct action.—R. Brodie, San Diego, Calif.

(This question has been awarded the weekly prize.)

A.—We'll take the questions in order. Unless someone is psyching, it is impossible for South to have anything but a weak hand. If you give the opener and the takeout

doubler 13 points each, then add 10 for the redoubler, you can see that South cannot

have more than about four points. Therefore, any action by South must indicate a

weak hand. The corollary to that is that South has to have a compelling reason for bidding.

The only reason why South would want to enter the auction on a weak hand is that he fears the takeout doubler, if left to his own devices, might take an action that would result in North-South having

to bid one level higher to locate a playable contract, than if South had bid immediately.

Does that apply to the hand you held? Let us consider what might happen if South passed, and see if that would force North-South to bid one level higher than necessary.

The worst that could happen if South passes is that North will retreat from one diamond doubled and redoubled into one heart. When that comes round to South, he can then correct to one spade. That tells partner that South cannot stand hearts but is prepared to play in either one spade or two clubs, as North prefers. The level is no higher than if South had bid an immediate one spade or two clubs over East's redouble. Therefore, there is no reason for South to act immediately.

Now, let's juggle around the suits in South's hand, so that it becomes:

♦x ♠xxxx ♦xxx ♠xxx

As you can see, there is absolutely no difference in high-card content or distribution between the two hands. Yet this time it is imperative for South to bid one heart over the takeout double.

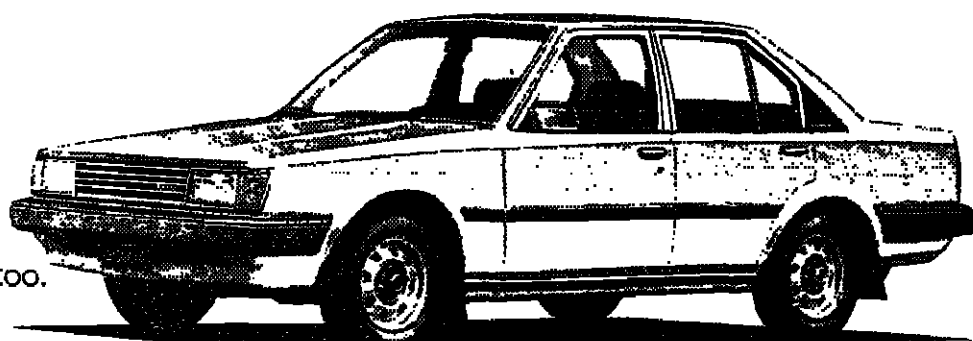
Why? Well, look what might happen if South elects to pass the redouble.

This time, North is very likely to retreat to one spade, and that is not at all to South's liking. South will either have to bail out to two clubs on a three-card suit, or introduce his hearts at the two-level; i.e., one level higher than necessary had he entered the auction immediately.



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# RELATIVES

## Relatives, friends mourn while news flares Belushi died of drug overdose

By James Simon  
Associated Press

VINEYARD HAZN, Mass.—John Belushi's relatives gathered near his home on Martha's Vineyard Tuesday to pay their last respect to the comedian while reports surfaced in Los Angeles, California that he died of a drug overdose.

The young actor's wife, Judith Belushi, his parents and about 13 other family members went to Sylvia's funeral home shortly before 10 a.m. for a private viewing of the body.

"We're expecting just the family to this (service) this morning," said one island policeman, who

refused to be identified.

Belushi's body was flown to Martha's Vineyard on Monday, and his wife and about 20 friends arrived by road Monday night. They were expected to be joined Tuesday by some of Belushi's former co-stars of the popular American television's "Saturday Night Live."

The Los Angeles Times, meanwhile, reported Tuesday that a source in the coroner's office said Belushi, whose nude body was found in a Los Angeles hotel room Friday, died of complications from a cocaine overdose. ABC television news also reports that sources said a drug overdose killed him, and said the drug was "probably cocaine."

The Los Angeles coroner's office

said it would have no comment on the reports, in reply to repeated telephone calls.

Like many celebrities, the 33-year-old TV and movie comedian had sought privacy on Martha's Vineyard, off the coast of Cape Cod. He bought the house in July 1979.

Burial was to be at Abel's hill cemetery, located about two kilometers from his home, which he bought from U.S. Defense Secretary Robert McNamara for \$400,000. The island has a year-round population of 9,000 but is about five times as large in the summer.

Belushi's body was found on a bed in a \$200-a-day bungalow he had rented at the Chateau Mar-mont hotel in Los Angeles. He was

in California to film a comedy, Noble Rot.

The Times reported a coroner's office source who asked not to be identified said toxicology tests conducted Monday indicated Belushi had an elevated amount of cocaine in his blood. The source said the drug was believed to have caused respiratory failure and perhaps also a heart attack, the newspaper reported.

ABC Television said Monday night on the "nightline" news show a nightstand in the bungalow "contained what was described as 'a fair amount of white powder' believed to be cocaine."

The stocky comedian began his career with the second city comedy troupe in Chicago and the National Lampoon's "lemmings" show.

### FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, MAR. 11, 1982

## YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** The early part of the day is filled with difficulties between persons in which greed may be the primary cause. The afternoon and evening gives you a chance to achieve success.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) A conversation with financial experts in the morning can prove helpful. Attend the social tonight and make new contacts.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) A credit matter does not work out right in the morning, but be patient and you'll get the backing you need later.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 21) Handle private matters yourself and don't rely so much on others at this time. Remember, work comes before pleasure.

**MOON CHILDREN** (June 22 to July 21) Keep out of any altercation between two associates and avoid trouble. Make serious plans for the future.

**LEO** (July 22 to Aug. 21) Obeying all rules and regulations that apply to you keeps you out of trouble now. Come to a better accord with associates.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Don't neglect your work to dash off to seek pleasure, but carry through in a steadfast and wise fashion. Express happiness.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Instead of worrying about some obligation, carry through with it in a conscientious manner and you'll get the right results.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have to be careful in the handling of regular routines at this time. Take health treatments and improve your appearance.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Show increased cooperation with co-workers and get much accomplished. Don't be too blunt with others now.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Make sure you can afford an expensive recreation you have in mind before you indulge in it. Sidestep an opponent.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Don't become involved in arguments with family members at this time. Strive for increased happiness.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Use good sense in the handling of money matters. Alter your budget so you can have more working capital in the future.

**IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY...** he or she must be taught to cooperate with others instead of fighting for everything that is desired, otherwise your progeny could have a difficult life. There's a marked ability to adapt to new conditions. A good education is a must.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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OMENG  
GINDAR  
ERASHE



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

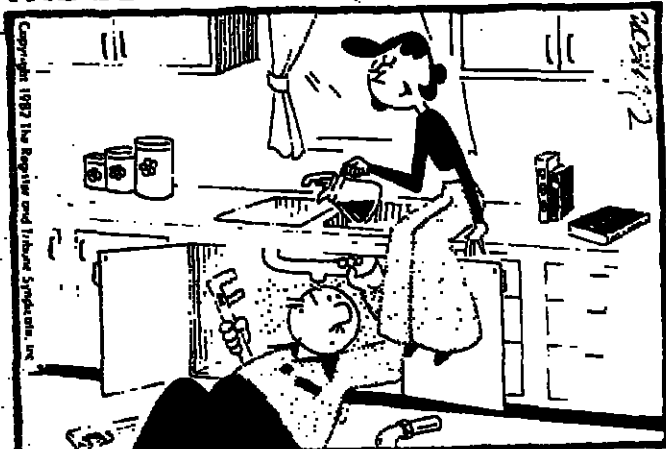
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(Answers tomorrow)

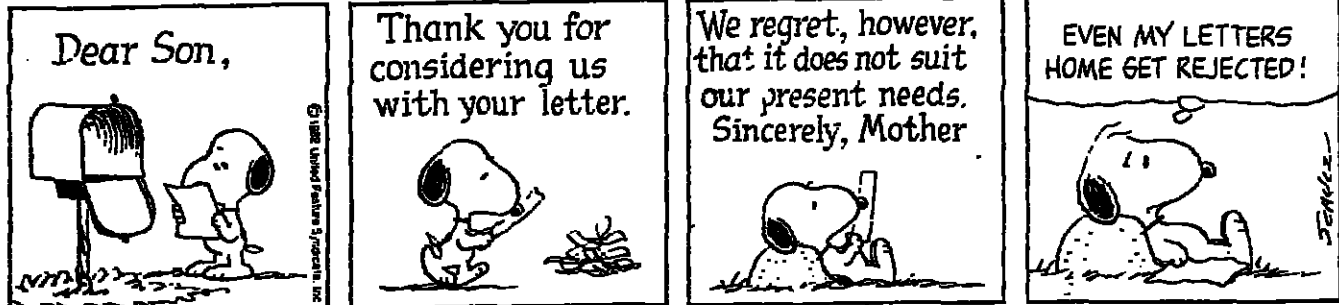
Yesterday's Jumbles: PLAIT SAVOR MODEST CHORUS  
Answer: Pulled some strings in heaven—HARPISTS

## THE BETTER HALF

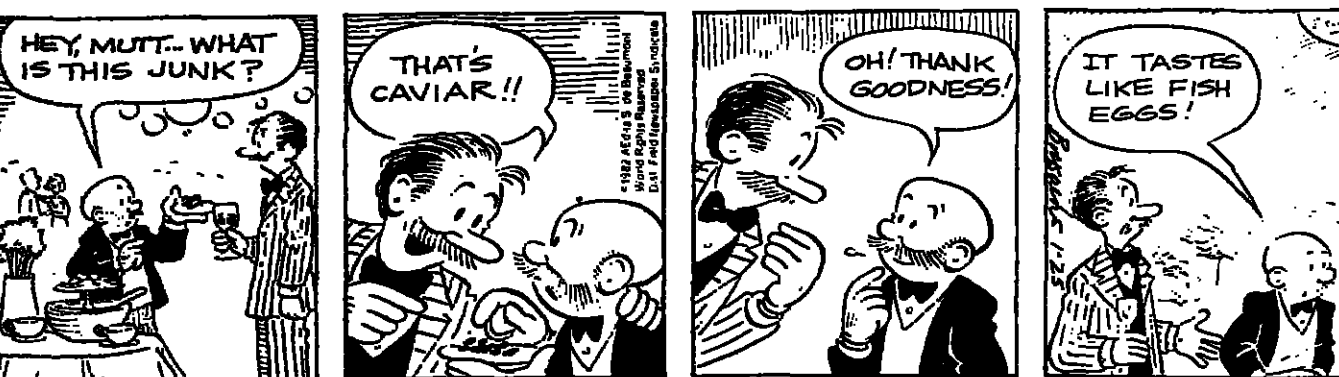
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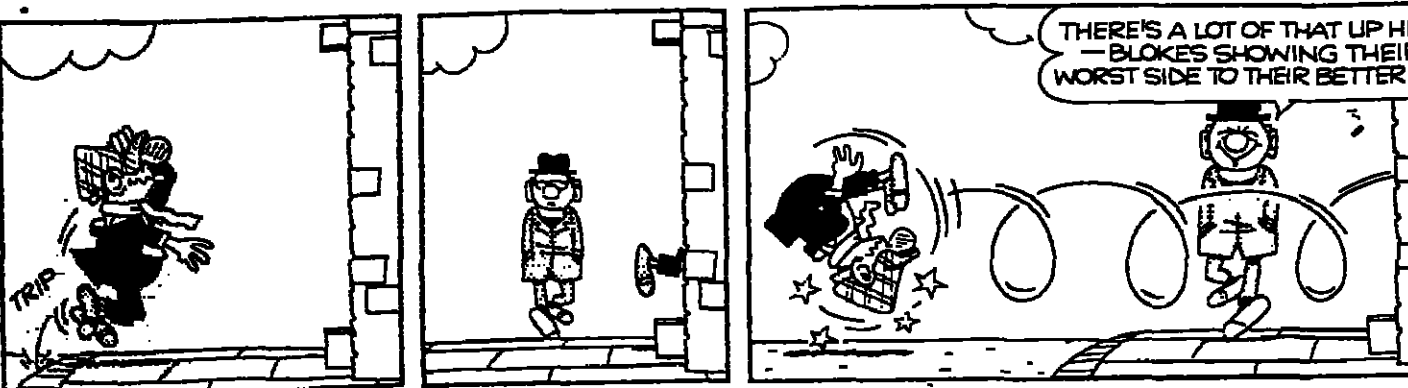
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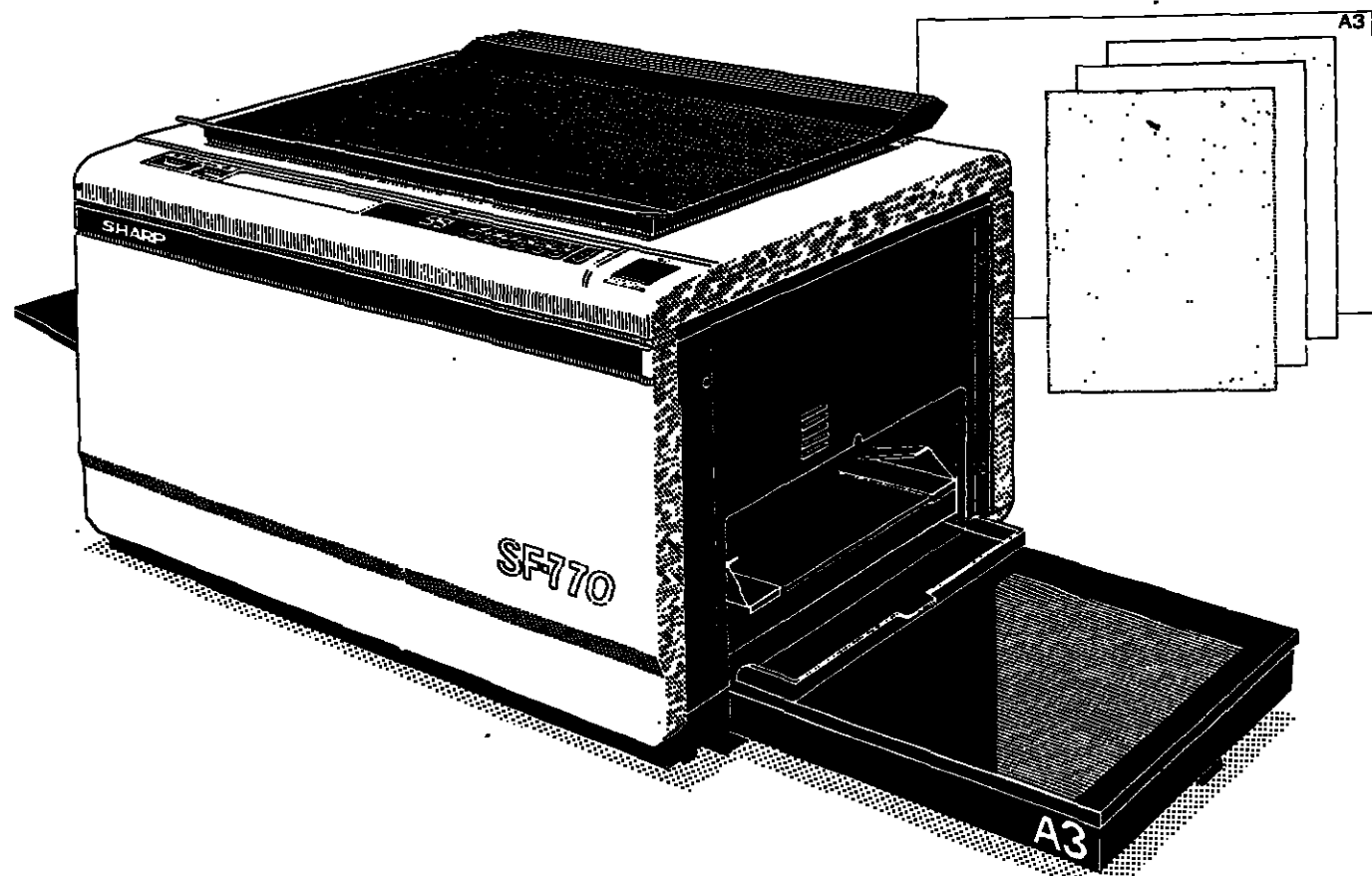
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### FORECAST FOR FRIDAY, MAR. 12, 1982

## YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** This could be a day of arguments and much tensions coming into the open unless you make a point to maintain self-control. The poise you display can impress others.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Ask questions of an associate and then you will know better what is expected of you. A private matter can be resolved now.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) Make certain you know the motive behind a favor a friend wants to bestow upon you. A social affair could be costly.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 21) Carry through with what a higher-up expects of you instead of being obstinate. Safeguard your reputation tonight.

**MOON CHILDREN** (June 22 to July 21) Be sure to handle important business matters before engaging in social activities. Show that you have wisdom.

**LEO** (July 22 to Aug. 21) Keep friends and advisers apart today and avoid trouble. You have latent talents that should be put to work.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Contact higher-ups and gain the support you need. Show kindness with one who offends instead of becoming vengeful.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) It's important that you carry through with regular routine: today instead of going on a foolish fun spree.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Don't jeopardize your security by spending lavishly for entertainment. Save your money instead and invest it wisely.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Don't join an argument between a family tie and a friend at this time. Streamline your social activities.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Although you may be provoked, don't argue with a co-worker who happens to be out of sorts at this time.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Find a more practical system for operating in the days ahead. Listen to what a successful friend has to suggest.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Try to get at the bottom of an unpleasant situation at home and establish more harmony. Strive for increased happiness.

**IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY...** he or she will be inclined to get in arguments and with little accomplished, so teach to get at underlying causes of trouble. Make sure your progeny develops the right philosophy of life. Don't neglect ethical training.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

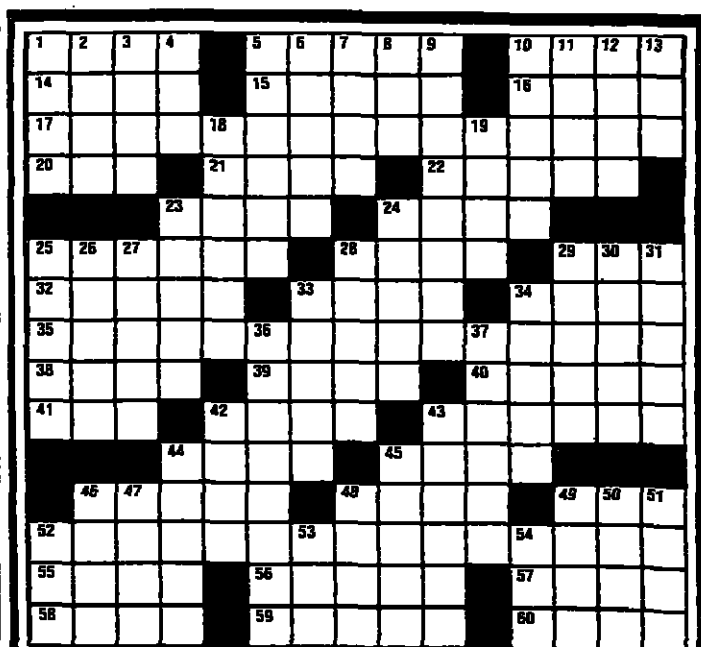
## THE Daily Crossword

By Emory H. Cain

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| 5 Comprehend                 | 29 White House             |
| 10 Like some cars            | 32 Punt mover              |
| 14 Color of unbleached cloth | 33 Illad, e.g.             |
| 15 Crystalline compound      | 34 Moslem calliph          |
| 16 Exploding star            | 35 Evasive behavior        |
| 17 Hypocrite                 | 36 Close by                |
| 20 Agreement word            | 38 Make an inquiry         |
| 21 Observed                  | 40 Lamp dweller            |
| 22 Raptorial equipment       | 41 Sunburn                 |
| 23 Glaswegian                | 42 Residents of: suff.     |
| 25 Equivalent man            | 43 Old French unit of area |
|                              | 44 Repute                  |

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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SAGITTARIUS LEHAR  
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ARI DEPOSIT COM  
MOCKED MER BUSTI  
LINKED SEAHORSES  
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ODDATER LANYMORE  
SUPERFUGUE TCON  
SARIL REBUS DUST  
ALAN ARTIES EISSE



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## WORLD

Seychelles 'coup plotters' on trial  
in S. Africa: 2 turn state witness

## Mercenaries plead not guilty of hijack

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (R) — A group of 43 alleged mercenaries pleaded not guilty Tuesday to charges that they hijacked an Air India airliner to South Africa after an abortive coup attempt in the Seychelles last November.

Natal Province Attorney-General Cecil Rees told the court that charges against a further two men, South Africans Steyn de Wet and Theodor van Huissteyn, had been withdrawn. Both men were expected to be called as state witnesses, he said.

The state has said it will call more than 40 witnesses during the trial, South Africa's first international hijack case, which is expected to be one of the longest and most expensive in the country's legal history.

The 43, led by former Congo mercenary leader "Mad Mike" Hoare, appeared in the supreme court of this sleepy provincial town in a court house used in colonial times for trying blacks.

All were charged under South Africa's anti-hijack laws. They face sentences of between five and 30 years if convicted.

Security was tight outside the court house before the start of the trial with few police in evidence and only three spectators — two white pensioners and a black female servant.

The courtroom has been specially adapted for the trial. The accused are all South African residents. There are 20 South Africans, nine Britons, seven white Zimbabweans, two Americans.

## Protesters near site of seal hunt

OTTAWA (R) — Protesters against Canada's seal hunt struggled through metre-thick ice floes Tuesday as they sailed for the Magdalen Islands in the St. Lawrence Gulf where the killing was well under way.

Six days after leaving Halifax on what should have been a two-day journey, the converted trawler Rainbow Warrior, manned by protesters from the Greenpeace conservation movement, was still 30 to 50 kilometres off the hunt.

"We hope they will get there tomorrow," a Greenpeace spokesman on Prince Edward Island told Reuters by telephone.

In the Gulf, the big sealing vessels Techno Venture and Brandal had taken more than 5,000 harp seals by Tuesday out of their joint quota of 20,000. The bigger hunt off the Labrador coast, called "the front", could start any time from Wednesday.

Greenpeace protesters plan to display their opposition to the hunt by dyeing seals green to make their coats worthless or shielding them from hunters' clubs.

## Bonn coalition okays new guidelines for arms sales

BONN (R) — West Germany's ruling coalition parties have approved proposed new guidelines on arms sales which could give Bonn greater flexibility in exporting weapons.

Social Democratic (SPD) and Free Democratic (FPD) deputies Tuesday endorsed proposals which, while urging continued restraint in sales to non-NATO countries, would permit exceptions if the government believed arms exports were in "the vital foreign and security policy interests of the Federal Republic."

The guidelines are meant to replace a 10-year-old cabinet rule which banned West Germany from selling arms to areas of international tension.

They will form the basis of a new policy which the Bonn cabinet is due to draft later this

two Germans, one Irishman, one Australian and one Austrian.

Most were soberly dressed as they took their numbered places in the dock although one wore a khaki tee-shirt and shorts.

Each defendant was called by number when asked to plead. Number one was Col. Hoare, 62, a small dapper figure with a goatee beard. He firmly replied "Not guilty," biting his lip.

The men are charged with unlawfully seizing control of an Air India airliner at Mahe in the Seychelles and forcing it to fly to South Africa. They are alternatively charged with interfering with crew members in the performance of their duty.

Two other charges state the accused had jeopardised the safety of the aircraft and persons at Mahe and Durban's Louis Botha Airport where the plane landed. They also face charges of illegal possession of weapons and firearms.

Mr. Rees was put in charge of the case last December after international criticism greeted the release of all but five of the men without charge.

Reading out the indictment, he told the court that under South African law the Air India plane was regarded as being "in flight" when it landed during a gunbattle at Mahe early on Nov. 26 as passengers had not disembarked.

South African courts have extra-territorial jurisdiction in such cases if the plane lands in the republic.

Mr. Rees said the pilot and crew of the Air India Boeing 707 had been taken to a dark room at Mahe Airport and were told they had landed during a revolution.

The accused then told them no harm would come if they cooperated, but that one or more would be shot if they did not. Mr. Rees added, he said negotiations were proceeding to obtain the testimony of the Air India crew for the court.

Judge Neville James, having earlier established that the defendants could hear very little of the proceedings, then adjourned the case so that technicians could improve acoustics in the court house.

## Clerical union ratifies Times layoffs

LONDON (A.P.) — Union officials representing clerical workers at The Times of London have ratified an agreement for 200 job cuts, a spokesman for the 197-year-old flagship of the Fleet Street press said Wednesday.

The approval, voted Tuesday night, appeared to be a significant breakthrough in efforts to save the paper and its weekly stablemate The Sunday Times. It followed publisher Rupert Murdoch's latest threat to close the journals if no agreement is reached on his demand for a total of 600 job cuts.

The Australian publishing tycoon, whose empire also includes the mass-circulation Sun and News of the World, said Tuesday that a settlement "had to be found" by Monday if closure was to be averted.

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## \$1 billion dope haul seized in Miami

MIAMI (A.P.) — A customs inspector poked a screwdriver into a cardboard carton that had been unloaded from a Colombian cargo jet and found what became the nation's biggest cocaine seizure — nearly \$1 billion worth.

"As we began opening the boxes, everyone shied away," said U.S. Customs Inspector Al Tagliaferro. No-one was arrested.

The more than 1,678 kilograms of Colombian cocaine, which Mr. Tagliaferro said was of "very high quality," was found Tuesday afternoon in a routine search of a cargo plane belonging to a "high-risk" foreign airline suspected of frequently being used by smugglers, officials said.

The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), which did not take part in the seizure, later estimated the street value of the seized cocaine at about \$950 million.

## Sinai force chief arrives

TEL AVIV (A.P.) — Norwegian Lt. Gen. Fredrik Bull-Hansen arrived Wednesday to assume command of the Sinai peace-keeping force and said he expected to overcome logistical problems in setting up the 11-nation force.

The United States is contributing roughly half of the 2,500-man force, which is to be in place by March 20, well in advance of the April 25 date when Israel returns the last sector of Sinai to Egypt.

The force, called the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO), already has some advance units in Sinai preparing to monitor observance of the Sinai demilitarisation provisions of the Israel-Egypt treaty.

Aside from the United States and Norway, troops are coming from France, Britain, Holland, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Uruguay and Colombia.

MFO bases are still under construction at Sharm el Sheikh at the southern tip of Sinai, monitoring the Strait of Tiran in the Red Sea, and at an Israeli air base south of the Gaza Strip near the Mediterranean sea.

Asked if the MFO was to be a fighting unit, Gen. Bull-Hansen replied, "The use of force will only be in self-defence and to counter anyone who with violent means would prevent the force from discharging its duties."

## London Transport staff protest against fare hikes

LONDON (A.P.) — A 24-hour strike by London Transport staff protesting plans to double fares shut down the capital's entire bus and subway networks Wednesday for the first time since the British general strike of 1926.

As commuters took to cars and cabs or simply walked to work, a spokesman for Scotland Yard reported: "Londoners are coping quite well. Traffic is heavy but nothing horrendous."

Commuter rail services were unaffected by the strike.

On March 21, London bus fares go up by an average of 100 per cent because of a Dec. 17 ruling by five law lords in the "House of Lords" — England's highest appeal court — striking down a "fares fair" cheap transport policy introduced by the socialist-controlled Greater London Council.

The council, which administers the London area, had honoured an election pledge to slash fares. But when it hiked property taxes to subsidise the cuts, the Conservative-controlled local borough council of Bromley filed a court challenge.

The law lords ruled that London Transport was legally bound to attempt to operate with balanced books and said the tax hike was illegal.

London Transport announced that because of the ruling, fares would double March 21.

The striking bus and subway workers fear this will cause a sharp drop in the number of passengers using the system — currently a half million each day — and result in big job losses. London Transport management already has announced it plans to lay off 2,000 of its 35,000 workforce and close three subway branch lines and three stations.

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## Washington Post says Reagan backs covert operations against Nicaragua

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — President Ronald Reagan has approved a CIA plan for covert operations against Nicaragua and is directing the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency to start forming a paramilitary force of Latin Americans, the Washington Post said in Wednesday's editions.

White House spokeswoman Kim Hoggard declined to comment on the article Tuesday night.

The newspaper said that according to informed administration

officials, which it did not identify, Mr. Reagan has rejected the use of American military forces in direct operations against Nicaragua.

Administration officials have charged that Central American nation is serving as the military command centre and supply line for guerrillas in nearby El Salvador.

But as part of the administration's strategy in the region, said the Post, the authorised covert plan directs the CIA to start

recruiting and financing a paramilitary force of up to 500 Latin Americans. They are to operate from camps along the Nicaragua-Honduras border, said the newspaper.

In Managua, meanwhile, the Nicaraguan government issued a sharply worded statement Tuesday night, protesting "violation of the country's airspace by North American spy planes."

The foreign ministry's communiqué said, "These irresponsible acts serve to deepen still more the serious crisis and tension moving through the Central American area."

The State Department Tuesday displayed spy plane photographs of a Nicaraguan military buildup which it said was transforming the Central American country into a Cuba-like military bastion.

## Iranian put on probation for murder plot

LOS ANGELES (R) — An Iranian shopkeeper, accused of offering to pay \$250,000 for the assassination of Princess Ashraf, twin sister of the late Shah of Iran, was put on three years probation Tuesday.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Florence Pickard, in imposing the sentence, recommended against deporting Mohammad Ali Alikhani, 45.

Mr. Alikhani, who owns a television shop near here, pleaded no contest on Dec. 31 to a charge of soliciting a murder. Prosecutors said he discussed the possible murder of Princess Ashraf with a business acquaintance, who went to the authorities.

Mr. Alikhani was alleged to have later offered a policeman, posing as an assassin, \$250,000 to kill Princess Ashraf.

Princess Ashraf lives mainly in New York but also has a home in Santa Barbara, 110 kilometres northwest of Los Angeles.

## MIDDLE EAST NEWS BRIEFS

### Bahrain coup plotters face trial Saturday

MANAMA (A.P.) — The trial of 73 persons accused of plotting to forcibly establish an Iranian-type Islamic republic in Bahrain will begin next Saturday. Minister of Justice Abdullah Al Khalifa announced Wednesday. The defendants, said to include nationals from some other Gulf countries, among them Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, were arrested last December. An indictment issued last week accused them of communicating with a foreign power, an evident reference to Iran, in a bid to overthrow the Bahrain government.

### Libya says U.S., Israel plan invasion

BEIRUT (A.P.) — Libya's official news agency said Wednesday an unnamed American claiming to be a Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) operative has told Col. Muammar Qaddafi's government that Israel and the United States plan a dual invasion of southern Lebanon and Libya within two weeks. JANA's report was distributed a few hours before a four-day state visit the Libyan leader is making to Austria. The report claimed plans for the alleged invasion were made by the Pentagon and the CIA without informing the State Department. The agency quoted the alleged CIA operative as telling Libyan security authorities that the American air attack on Libya would have an "Israeli camouflage" and will be staged once the Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon was mounted this week or early next week.

### Soviet air force chief in Syria

DAMASCUS (R) — The commander-in-chief of the Soviet air force, Air Marshal Pavel Kutakhov, arrived suddenly in Syria Wednesday and held talks with Defence Minister Mustafa Tlas. The official Syrian News Agency, which reported the meeting, said Air Marshal Kutakhov was accompanied by a Soviet air force delegation but said nothing about the aim of the visit.

### Prince Saud receives Veliotis

RIYADH (A.P.) — Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal met Wednesday with Nicholas Veliotis, U.S. assistant secretary of state for Near East and South Asian Affairs. Mr. Veliotis is currently on the fourth leg of "a familiarisation" tour of the six member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) — Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar and Oman. He has already visited Kuwait, the UAE and Bahrain.

### Aden denies sending troops to Ethiopia

ADEN (A.P.) — South Yemen has denied what it said was a French government allegation that it sent troops to Ethiopia to fight against rebel forces in the northern Ethiopian province of Eritrea, according to an official source here Wednesday. The source, who declined to be named in conformity with government policy, said the government of South Yemen reaffirmed its support for "socialist Ethiopia in its struggle for realising economic and social progress for the friendly Ethiopian people."

## The WEEKEND CROSSWORD

MODIFIED MEN  
By Bernice Gordon

ACROSS  
1 Army officers: abbr.  
5 Gets hold of  
10 Grates harshly  
15 Ownership of  
Scandinavian land  
19 — above the ordinary  
20 Actress Terry  
21 Mr. Lauder  
22 Meadow mouse  
23 Biblical mount  
24 Curt commander  
at Pearl harbor?  
26 Slaughterer  
27 Macaws  
28 Argall, e.g.  
30 Educated  
32 Slow, in music  
34 Royal fur  
36 Period before the storm  
37 Sheeting fabric

DOWN  
1 "Give a — horse he can ride"  
2 Cut off  
3 Christiania, today  
4 Something valuable  
5 Rings  
6 Whip handle  
7 Wading bird  
8 Darkhouse  
9 Complete  
10 Old pronoun  
12 British gun  
13 Priest's star

ACROSS  
1 Failure  
2 Sings  
3 Sky pilot  
4 Decorate  
10 Circle the globe  
12 Permeated  
17 Epic poet  
18 Kiddle  
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Last Week's Cryptograms  
1. Clothes call? Shivering danger, the skater gapped in short pants.  
2. Good ballet dancer's feet changed direction, bent, and sent her late critic.  
3. Prepare for a cold winter in summer so an early blizzard will not find you unable to cope.  
4. Old beer drinker drank barrel of fine ale.

CRYPTOGRAMS

1. EDPS BIDLYF COM BEAUTIF ULEE UTER  
BTM PAYS NADI PAMN COM NADI FADE  
—By Linda M. Sperry

2. ABC DE DF CGH IJJK IJNLE. ABKJ CGH  
INLJ IGFNFGJE  
—By Barbara J. Rags

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—By John Tarr

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—By Norton Bland

SOLUTIONS OF LAST WEEK'S PUZZLES

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